AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph that was previously added after line 6 of page 11 as follows:

Figure 106 is a plan view of the top right left corner of the hoist in Figure 104 turned 90° counterclockwise.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on line 4 of page 33 as follows:

The lift platform, Figure 67, has a channel frame 348 supporting rows of rollers 308 on shafts at right angles to track 24. Frame 348 is supported on links 350 pivotally connected between it and a bottom support secured on the ground. Roller frame 348 is lifted by one or more cylinders 352 connected between the support and a lever link 350'.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on line 9 of page 33 as follows:

Referring to Figures 65 and 67, curb angle 354 is mounted along the track side edge of the lift platform one leg up and one in on end pivots 356 355 to swing in and let the container move onto the platform and then lift back up to stop the container from rolling off the side of the platform. It is supported on springs 358 356 to recess only counterclockwise in these figures.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on line 20 of page 33 as follows:

Referring to Figures 68-72 for a simplified variation of the car and loadspreader coupling which is generally applicable, car 22F has end bulkheads 358 85 establishing ends of the berth for container 20F. The container slips between tapered ends of the bulkheads from either side. The car has coupling keyways 85 across from side to side on the bulkheads hold plates 76 to form a keyway across each end of the container berth on the car at a height for wheels 62 on the

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ends of guard rails 358 on the loadspreader 34F to lift to support the loadspreader lifted on its

pass through the car. The bulkheads are as wide long as the container is wide and centered

transversely on the car leaving space for a wheel 62 to engage a protruding coupler plate 76 on

the rear end of the car to align the container between the bulkheads. Latches 88F are connected

by tubing 360 at each end of the berth are and mounted to be opened by wheels 62 lifting and

holding them open while passing through these bulkhead coupling keyways.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on line 17 of page 39 as follows:

Returning to Figure 86, stop pins 496 on the ends of the container through the top of

tracks 432 limit the lift of the hoods so the container can be lifted by hooks 60 on the hoods or

the container rolled on or off the car without lifting the container - only lifting the hoods which

latch to unlatch the container to from the car.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on line 12 of page 41 as follows:

To pick up the container supported on the hoist at the dock, the empty truck is backed up

under the container on the hoist. Tab 606 on the front of the truck bed engages the forward end

of the container as the truck nears the dock. This lifts the container and loadspreader by

swinging the links 44 up and relieves the winch of the load so its dog can be disengaged and the

truck moved forward lowering the container onto the truck. The twist locks are then released by

existing control, air supply 610. Then the truck is driven forward to swing the loadspreader up

lifting the twist locks out of the top corner castings. Weights W on links 44 hold the

loadspreader up forward.

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